

82 DEAD, 60 INJURED, IN MINE BLAST

Woman Spy Trailed Hall, Police Say

PLOT TO ASSASSINATE KING OF RUMANIA IS FRUSTRATED

HIS TRAIN AVOIDS WRECK

"Pilot" Sent Ahead of Royal
Coaches Demolished by
by Assassins.

By International News Service.
PARIS, Nov. 23.—An attempt
to assassinate King Ferdinand of
Rumania while he was returning
from a hunting trip failed when
assassins wrecked the wrong
train, said a Bucharest dispatch
to L'Intransigeant today.

As a precautionary measure,
the royal train bearing the Ru-
manian king and his party was
preceded by a "pilot" train. The
assassins wrecked the first train,
thinking it bore the royal pas-
senger.

SHIPS ASKED TO LOOK FOR BOAT LOST IN GULF

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 23.—Ships
in the Gulf of Mexico today were
asked to be on the lookout for the
power-boat Golden Girl, formerly a
navy sub-chaser, believed to have
been lost or disabled in recent
storms on the Gulf while en route
to Puerto Cortez, Honduras, from
Key West.

SPECIAL COAL ORDER TO AFFECT VIRGINIA

To relieve the acute coal situation
in Virginia, the Interstate Commerce
Commission today issued a special
priority order under which the Ches-
apeake and Ohio, Norfolk and West-
ern, and Greenbrier and Eastern are
to give preference to coal shipments
consigned to the Purchasing Com-
mission of Virginia.

MORGAN DUE TO SAIL; NO DECISION ON LOAN

PARIS, Nov. 23.—J. P. Morgan,
who is now in London, will sail for
home tomorrow without having
reached any decision with regard
to the loan. The Matin stated today.
The Matin expressed the hope that
Mr. Morgan would return to Paris
later for conferences with both the
premier and the reparations commis-
sion.

FLOWERS TO BLOOM ON EASTER BONNETS

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Brilliant
color effects and the use of flowers
will mark the Easter style of hats,
it became known today.
Millinery trade experts say the
trend effects will not continue into
the spring and predict a vogue for
printed materials in garments
which will make hats conform in
brightness and color.

Rumanian King Has
Narrow Escape
From Death



INSANE BATTLE WITH GUARDS AT HOME

36 Patients Fight 25 Attend-
ants With Bare Fists
Before Subdued.

By International News Service.
LIMA, Ohio, Nov. 23.—A group
of criminally insane patients, led
by Herchell G. Dunn, convicted
of the robbery of the Besinger &
Dunn jewelry store here some years
ago, fought a pitched battle with
guards in ward 15, on the second
floor of the main building of Lima
State Hospital, on the northern out-
skirts of Lima, today.

A platoon of twenty-five attend-
ants fought for more than half an
hour with bare fists against thirty-
six patients before the latter were
finally subdued.

Metal slugs, stripped from the
lavatory equipment, were used by
the patients in the fray.

HALL SPIED UPON, SAY POLICE

Woman Defiant, Then Silent
When Questioned; Man
Friend Sought.

By JOHN L. SPIVAK.
International News Service.
NEW BRUNSWICK, Nov. 23.—
Although the Somerset county
grand jury at Somerville has
postponed until Monday further
investigation of the murder of
Rev. Edward W. Hall, rector of
the Protestant Episcopal Church
of St. John the Evangelist, and
the choir singer, Mrs. James
Mills, county detectives were still
active today in an effort to gather
fresh evidence.

Say Spy Trailed Hall.

A sensational report was current
that for at least three months be-
fore he was shot to death at his
favorite trysting place on the old
Plainfield and on one occasion wit-
nessed a meeting between him and
Mrs. Mills.

Woman Was Defiant.

When first questioned by detec-
tives, the woman "spy" is said to
have assumed a defiant attitude,
later took refuge in ignorance. She
professed to know nothing about any
of the matters on which she was
questioned.

The county authorities are collect-
ing information about every act, no
matter how trivial, on the part of
Dr. Hall on the days just prior to
the murder on the night of Septem-
ber 14.

It has been learned that Dr. Hall
helped officiate at the wedding of
Henry Stryker and Miss Ethel Ter-
hune. The ceremony took place at
the Stryker home, Dr. Hall and
Mrs. Hall arriving about 5:30 in the
evening.

From what they have gathered,
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Pierce Butler Gets Supreme Court Seat

By Cosmopolitan News Service.
Pierce Butler, of Min-
nesota, was today nomi-
nated by President Hard-
ing as associate justice of
the United States Su-
preme Court.

Butler succeeds to the
seat made vacant by the
resignation of Justice
William R. Day.

His home is in St. Paul,
where he is a prominent
corporation lawyer.

He is a Democrat and
has served for a number
of years as a member of
the board of regents of
the University of Minne-
sota.

KING IS GUARDED AT SESSION'S OPENING

Cordon of Police Keeps Back
Unemployed—Concerned
Over Nation's Problems.

By DAVID CHURCH.
(International News Service.)

LONDON, Nov. 23.—With West-
minster surrounded by a heavy
cordon of police to prevent demon-
strations by the unemployed, King
George opened the deliberative ses-
sion of parliament today with a
speech in which he expressed "deep
concern" over problems facing the
country.

The King began by saying that
parliament had been summoned to
enact legislation which is necessary
to give effect to the Irish Free
State constitution. He added that
the questions of unemployment and
State expense "continued to give
him deep concern."

Loan Will Be Sought.

"Ameliorative measures prepared
by my late government are being
examined afresh, and you will be
asked to make provision for their
continuance and extension," said
King George.

The royal speech called attention
to the fact that the Irish Constitu-
tion must become effective by De-
cember 6, under the stipulations
laid down at the time the Anglo-
Irish treaty was framed and signed.

The King concluded with the
declaration that an estimate of the
necessary expenditures would be
laid before Commons in due course
of time.

JAPAN SENDS EXPERT TO STUDY P. O. SYSTEM

Japan wants to know how Uncle
Sam handles his enormous mail
problems.

Mastada Takahashi, an official of
the Japanese postoffice department,
arrived here today to spend a month
studying the American postal system.

ENDS LIFE IN HER SHOP

Mrs. Bessy Boward, Believed
to Have Been Despondent
Over Financial Worries.

Leaving a single dollar bill
lying on a table as a symbol of
her broken finances, Mrs. Bessy
Boward, aged thirty-eight, and
proprietress of a beauty parlor
at 1331 G street northwest, com-
mitted suicide last night in her
gaily decked little place of busi-
ness.

She was found this morning
stretched out full length in a sort
of surgeon's chair, which she
used for patrons, two gas tubes
trailing over her lifeless arms
and the room full of gas.

Calls It Suicide.

Coroner Nevitt, after viewing the
body today, wrote out a certificate
of suicide and the body was removed
to the morgue.

An element of mystery was in-
jected into the case by Mrs. Louise
Tate, Mrs. Boward's business as-
sociate for the past five years, who,
while detectives were puzzling over
the presence of the dollar bill, be-
cause \$11 was also found in a purse
nearby remarked:

"I know why it is there alright.
And so will some one else know
when he comes."

Silent On Reasons.

Questioning failed to bring forth
her reasons for the statement and to
Dr. Nevitt's interrogations she an-
swered after a long silence:

"Well it just meant she was down
to her last dollar."

At the same time, friends scoffed
at the idea that Mrs. Boward was
in any way concerned in a love af-
fair, although the "he" was unex-
plained.

She had been a widow, it was
said, for fifteen years. She occupied
a room at 1448 Girard street, where
she had resided the past four years,
and to which she did not return
last night.

Vernon G. Owen, a real estate
man, having offices next to Mrs.
Boward's beauty parlor, smelled a
strong odor of gas in the hallway
and summoned Crossing Officer
Smith from Fourteenth and G
streets at 9 o'clock this morning.

The room was entered by a dupli-
cate key and the body discovered.

At 5 o'clock last night, Owen said,
he had had Mrs. Boward "good eve-
ning," and at that time she was en-
gaged with a patron.

Two hours later declared a Mrs.
Carroll, one of Mrs. Boward's
friends, she received a telephone
call from the latter, during which
Mrs. Boward cried and complained
that she was not feeling well. This
was the last time her voice was
heard. It is thought she left the
establishment, returned about mid-
night, and turned on the gas.

Act Was Methodic.

Her act appeared to be very
methodic. She had stuffed a rag
under the door, removed her corset,
and reclined at ease, upon three
pillows.

A young girl, who was Mrs. Bow-
ard's other assistant, said she had
not done so well since removing to
the G street establishment, about
one year ago, from a prosperous
beauty parlor on Eleventh street.

Headquarters detectives discovered
two letters on the table, sealed,
stamped and addressed, to Ginsberg
& Co., cosmetic manufacturers of
New York, and to Howard Haw-
thorne, stationed on the U. S. S.
Reina Mercedes, training ship at
Annapolis, who is the dead woman's
nephew.

Of the latter, while its contents
have not been disclosed by the
police, is thought to contain Mrs.
Boward's only farewell message.
Among several trifling articles, in
a handbag which contained a purse,
was a woman's wedding ring, in-
scribed:



According to reports from London she
seeks to divorce her husband, Albert "Buster" Johnson. The
former Miss Marsh, who was the central figure in the famous Fields
case, is now in London, where she is arranging to enter a revue,
in addition to beginning a new dance and dinner club. Her son
Tony is with her. Johnson, who was wounded while at a camp in
the Adirondacks during the summer, is still in the United States.
Johnson, Peggy Marsh Johnson, and her son Tony, for whom she
claimed a share in the Marshall Field estate, are shown in the
photo.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS DEATH OF SIX BY POISON

By International News Service.

LANCASTER, Ohio, Nov. 23.—Were the deaths of Irvine
Henderson, his wife, and their four little children, whose life-
less bodies were found in their Westside home here yester-
day, due to self-destruction, to accident, or to murder by an
enemy?

Officials here today are seeking the solution of this ques-
tion. In their effort to solve the mystery surrounding the
wiping out of the Henderson family, county and city officers
are studying all phases of the case.

Man Under Suspicion.

The police have under surveil-
lance a man whom Henderson is
said to have suspected of having
placed poison either in food or in
a well at the Henderson home.

A few days before his death,
Henderson told Dr. R. L. Mond-
hank, his family physician, of his
suspicions that this man was trying
to kill him because Henderson had
accepted work as a night engineer
at the Pennsylvania railroad shops
here, taking the place of a
striker. The shopmen's strike here
is still on.

Coroner C. C. Gussinger is in-
clined to believe that Henderson,
despondent because of financial dif-
ficulties and irregular employment,
used bichloride of potash in killing
his four children, ranging from
seventeen months to seven years,
and then committed suicide by
taking the same poison, and that
Mrs. Henderson, approving Hender-
son's actions, took her life by
swallowing some of the poison.

All Frothed At Mouth.

The stomachs, one kidney, and
part of the liver, taken from the
bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Henderson,
have been sent to the Ohio State
University laboratories for analysis.
Officials said it will be four days

Peggy Marsh Denies
Martial Rift
Actress In London Gives
Lie To Rumor She
Seeks Divorce.

DISASTER IS PUT ON BROKEN WIRE

All Bodies Believed Recovered,
but Many of Buried
Will Die.

By International News Service.

BIRMINGHAM, Nov.
23.—The death list in the
Dolomite mine disaster
mounted to eighty-two to-
day, according to latest
figures available at the
scene of the explosion,
thirteen miles from Bir-
mingham.

One-third of those
killed were negroes. They
were employed in Dolo-
mite mine No. 3 of the
Woodward Coal Com-
pany.

BODIES RECOVERED.

Sixty others are in hospitals,
some of them so badly burned
or injured by flying debris
that they may not recover.

All of the bodies have been
recovered and all those not
killed by the blast have been
freed from the underground
prison, it was stated early to-
day by officials of the com-
pany.

It has been definitely estab-
lished that the explosion was
caused when a "skip" car,
breaking away, dashed down
the mine slope, and, crashing
through electric cables, caused
an electric spark which ig-
nited the dust in the mine.

FLAME 200 FEET HIGH.

Instantly the entire mine was
enveloped in a sheet of flame that
blazed upward through the shaft,
at least 200 feet into the air, and
ignited the tipples. All men work-
ing near the mouth of the mine, it
was said, were killed outright.

The No. 3 shaft is a new open-
ing into the old No. 2 mine, and it
was through the old shaft that
mine rescue workers were able to
quickly dig through debris choking
the passages and bring out men
who otherwise must have died in
the gas. The work of rescue was
very rapid.

Guard Keeps Crowd Off.

Crowds of curious gathered al-
most instantly after the explosion
and they continued to arrive in
such large numbers that the
national guardsmen were called
out to throw a cordon about the
mine mouth and open lanes for
ambulances. They still were on
guard this morning.

All bodies have been taken to
Bessemer, Ala., in the heart of
the steel manufacturing district,
and have been placed in morgues,
where many of them still await
identification. Officials of the
company said they probably
would not be able to complete a
list of the dead today.

400 Men Were At Work.

Officials of the Woodward Coal
Company said today that 475 men
entered the shaft yesterday mor-
ning but, owing to the fact that
miners are constantly leaving and
re-entering the workings all
through the day, there was no way
of telling exactly how many men
might have been caught by the
blast.

They estimated, however, that
the number was near 400. They
were positive in assertions that
all living and dead have been re-
moved to the surface.

Mine Said to Be Safe.

Mine rescue workers and offi-
cials of the company, alike, de-
clared the mine to be one of the
safest, under ordinary conditions.
Although black damp gas is not
infrequent in the mine, they said,
the ventilation is so excellent and
safeguards so well looked after